

**PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Brian P. Belliveau et al.

**CUSTOMER NO: 37535**

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Examiner: Thao T. Tran

For: MULTILAYERED ARTICLE HAVING BIOCOMPATIBILITY AND BIOSTABILITY  
CHARACTERISTICS

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**RESPONSE AND THREE MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed on June 15, 2006. Also, a request for a three months extension of time is enclosed together with the required fee of \$1,020.00.

There are no amendments to the claims in this response.